

Winter time is time to test for radon

PAGE 4



Cats maul Pirates, advance to 7-0

Ignacio, CO 81137 Bulk Permit No. 1

Vol. XLVI No. 1

**JANUARY 10, 2014** 

Official newspaper of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe For subscription or advertising information, call 970-563-0118

\$29 one year | \$49 two years



**INSIDE THIS ISSUE** 

Culture Health Education Sports **Voices** Classified ads

www.sudrum.com



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum archive

# 2013: Year in review

ast year saw the Southern Ute Indian Tribe strengthening many of its longstanding traditions, such as exercising tribal sovereignty and honoring our veterans, while adding new and exciting elements to life on the reservation. Monsoons in the fall brought a change of pace – though equally challenging - from the wildfires of recent years, the Tri-Ute Games drew more young athletes than ever before, and the Tribal Council, after years of deliberation, made the biggest news of the year when it announced the tribe would begin providing health insurance cards to its members. For the full list of the top news trends of 2013, see page 6.

Youth basketball begins season







Damon Toledo/SU Drum archive

# TRIBAL MEDIA

# The Drum goes free

THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Starting today, The Southern Ute Drum is free to pick up at newsstands in La Plata

After 44 years as a paid at no cost. publication – the Drum has been its current price of 25 cents since Feb. 17, 1995 - the Southern Ute Indian have accounted for just 4 per-Tribe is making the newspaper available to tribal members and others interested in Because the Drum does not tribal news free of charge. The move is aimed at better fulfilling the Drum's parent department's mission of "dissemination of vital tribal information."

The Drum's current mail

Staff report staff anticipates that by offering a free product, the paper's readership will grow and the print version will complement the Drum's new website, www.sudrum.com which also offers the news

> The paper's fiscal health will not suffer as a result of the change. Newsstand sales cent of the Drum's revenue over the past three years. use locking newsstands, 87 percent of papers picked up were not paid for anyway, according to internal numbers.

While making money is not part of the Drum's mission statement, the staff and newsstand circulation hopes that the change will is approximately 1,800. The encourage new advertisers.

By growing the paper's circulation and holding advertising rates steady for the third year in a row, the Drum will become a better deal for tribal members and others looking to promote their businesses and get the biggest impact for their advertising dollar.

The amount of money collected from newsstands over the course of an entire year is roughly equivalent to the price of one half-page ad in

The staff also considered raising the price of the paper or purchasing locking machines - a five-figure investment – but decided the tribal membership would be best served with both a free newspaper and a free website.

# SOUTHERN UTE MUSEUM

# Museum welcomes new year with sunrise ceremony

By Ace Stryker THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum welcomed the new year with traditional drum songs and a blessing as the sun rose over the ridge to the east on Saturday, Jan. 4.

About 40 people braved the cold for the 7 a.m. ceremony, which took place on the plaza on the museum's south side. Nathan Strong Elk, the museum's acting executive director, said it was a powerful ceremony "signifying a fresh start, new year, with the support of the tribe."

"It was awesome and very spiritual," he said.

This was the second year the museum hosted such an event, but the first year the public was invited to attend. Last year, Strong Elk said he and Hanley Frost conducted a private blessing.

Strong Elk said the ceremony has cultural significance

Sunrise page 3 the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum on Saturday, Jan. 4.



Ace Stryker/SU Drum

The sun rises through the bristles of a pine on the south side of

# photos Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Davian Herrera lines up a shot near the free throw line. Ages 4-11 are welcome to participate.



**UTE LANGUAGE** 

# Tribal elder Grove-D'Wolf creates Ute language app

By Ace Stryker THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Owners of an Apple iPad or iPhone will soon be able to practice their Ute language skills.

Southern Ute elder Lynda Grove-D'Wolf is finalizing a deal with Apple that would publish her Ute language program, Kavia Nuccie Núu-apá ga-pi – meaning "the Mountain Utes language" in the company's App Store. Grove-D'Wolf said pricing has not yet been determined.

"It's been an interesting process," she said of developing the app, which features recordings of Ute words in 18 topics. Grove-D'Wolf supplied the translations, and Robin Johnson of

Subalpine Technologies han-



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Lynda Grove-D'Wolf displays her newly developed app, soon to be available for download in the Apple App Store. The app teaches Ute words in 18 topics.

dled the coding of the app. Last year, Grove-D'Wolf introduced a similar product on CD. But the reach of the App Store means the Ute language will be available at the tap of a

button to millions of Apple de-

vice users worldwide.

"This is the first Ute app, first of its kind," she said. "The point here is that the language is dying. If we

Language page 3

Dug Ward (left) teaches the basics of basketball to a few young players during an evening practice session on Tuesday, Jan. 7 in the SunUte Community Center. Practice continues through the month of January before kicking off the games in February. For a full practice schedule see page 5.

# **COUNCIL CORNER**

# Richards, Torres attend Colorado River tribes meeting

By Beth Santistevan SU TRIBAL COUNCIL

Southern Ute Tribal Council members Howard D. Richards Sr. and Aaron V. Torres attended the annual Colorado River Water Users Association Conference in is 25 years of age and un-Las Vegas, Dec. 11-13.

The council members represented the Southern Ute Indian Tribe in the Ten Tribes Partnership, of which the tribe is a member. The Southern Ute Tribe is among 10 tribes that have water rights along the Colorado River.

The first session of the conference began with a panel discussion titled, "Ten Things You Should Know about the Ten Tribes." It gave representatives of the partnership an opportunity to talk about water rights associated with the Colorado River and to discuss each reservation and the importance of water to each individual tribe.

Each leader or designated representative also gave an overview of their involvement with various water projects on their respective reservations. Richards, who was the first presenter, gave a brief history of the bands located on the Southern Ute tribes mentioned diffi-

Ute Reservation and of his political career. He emphasized that during his time on the council, he has been an advocate for preserving the tribe's natural resources. particularly water.

"Half of our membership der. I am here to speak on their behalf, to speak for the rights of water for the young people," he said. "We must not forget about our young people. These lands are here for them, and we must do everything we can to make sure there is still a place for them."

Richards' speech also touched on the acreage of the reservation and the irrigation acres, which were given to the tribe in early treaties.

The Northern Ute and Ute Mountain Ute tribes are also part of the partnership and gave presentations to the association.

Chairman Manuel Heart of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe touched on the Animas La-Plata Project and the extensive collaboration among stakeholders, including the Navajo Nation and non-Indian users. He briefly touched on specific Ute Mountain Ute projects like the Dolores Water Project.

Leaders of both the sister

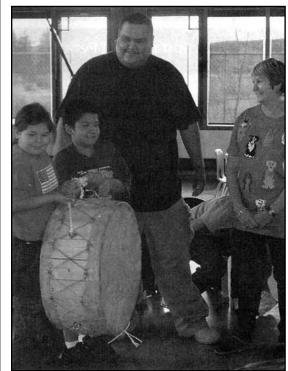
culties with the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs, mismanagement of irrigation waters, and the continuation of false promises.

After a brief break between sessions, the next panel, "Legal Colloquium: Reserved Rights and Settlements," took place. Catherine Condon from law firm McElroy, Meyer, Walker & Condon represented the Southern Ute Tribe.

Condon's presentation was concentrated on the Animas La-Plata Project. She outlined the Colorado Ute Indian Water Rights Settlement. A crucial component of the contemplated settlement was the provision of water to the tribes from the Animas-La Plata Project, in satisfaction of the tribes' reserved rights claims from the Animas and La Plata rivers. Condon mentioned that the ALP was a key component, but is a highly controversial project due to environmental concerns.

During the conference, in light of Davis Wing's resignation from the Ute Mountain Ute Tribal Council, the Ten Tribes Partnership elected to appoint Richards as a trustee for the Upper Basin. This was not taken to action and it will be ratified in February.

# **MANY MOONS AGO**



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum archive

# 10 years ago

Prior to being elected to the Southern Ute Tribal Council, Jimmy R. Newton Jr. donated a drum to the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy drum group on Dec. 12, 2003, in the cafeteria surrounded by students and teachers. Newton had asked Rock Pipestem, an Otoe Missourian Trial member of Norman, Okla., to build the drum, which was then donated to the school.

Pictured (left to right): Cody Ross and Angel Ortiz, both in the fourth grade; Newton; and elementary/ teacher primary Patricia Hauschild.

This photo first appeared in the Jan. 9, 2004, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



# Just when they thought they had

20 years ago

it done. Ernest "Muz" Pinnecoose repairs the brand-new tribal utilities gas line near Powwow Circle. The line was ruptured by a non-tribal contractor who was trenching for a separate service. Tribal utilities only recently completed the installation of new natural gas lines for tribal residences and businesses.

This photo first appeared in the Jan. 7, 1994, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

# DO you have Questions about your Indian Mineral Ownership or Royalties 2

# **Department of the Interior** Oil and Gas Royalty **Question and Answer Sessions**

Thursday, January 23, 2014

• BIA - Southern Ute Agency, 8:30 – 11:15 a.m. • Southern Ute Senior Center, 1:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

You are invited to come and have your mineral ownership or royalty questions answered regardless of where your allotment is located. Please bring any documents you would like to discuss. For more information, contact John Roach at the Office of the Special Trustee at 563-1013 or Tom Piccirilli of the Office of Natural Resources Revenue at 800-982-3226.



John T. Rehorn/SU Drum archive

SU Drum archive

# 2014 Ignacio Little League **Baseball**

# Dates/Times

Registration Meeting - Jan 15th 6:00 pm Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Building Registration Deadline - Feb 15th End of Day \$25 Late Fee for anything after deadline Skills Day - Feb 22nd 9:00 am Place to be determined

> Draft - Mar 1st (Managers only) Registration Packets Available Elementary School Office Ignacio Library

### Ignacio Town Hall Registration Fees

\$25 4/5yr old T-Ball \$50 6-8yr old Pitching Machine \$75 9/10yr old-Minors \$100 11/12yr old-Majors \$125 13/14yr old-Juniors \$150 15/16yr old - Seniors (may combine with Dgo/Bayfield)

\$25 Late Fee \*Division ages are determined by birth date. Must be of age for the Division by May 1st.

What to Bring

If player is new to league then birth certificate is required All players require 1 document proving residency Turn Registration Form/Payment in to

Yolanda Duran 970-749-5944 Holley Ezzell 970-749-1222 Tracy Mickey 970-749-5432 Lawrence Toledo 970-946-2062 Consuelo Wilmer 970-799-2854

# 30 years ago

Signing up for the Racing Commission hearing, Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Lady Lillian Seibel talks with Jeanette Martin, secretary in the vice chairman's office.

This photo first appeared in the Jan. 13, 1984, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



# **Culture**

# SUNRISE CEREMONY • FROM PAGE 1

going back generations.

"Traditionally, supposed to get up early every morning and greet the sun," he said. "Now, because people have their jobs and these different things ... it's kind of harder to do that every day."

Following the ceremony, the museum hosted a storytelling event featuring Larry Tucker and Southern Ute elder Jim Jefferson. Each talked about their past and lessons learned over a lifetime of experience.

"Traditionally we tell stories in the wintertime," Strong Elk said. "That's something we want to focus



Ace Stryker/SU Drum

Larry Tucker (right) tells a story from his past as fellow storyteller and Southern Ute elder Jim Jefferson listens following the sunrise ceremony at the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum on Saturday, Jan. 4.

on more in the years to come make the sunrise ceremoin the winter."

ny an annual event, Strong

The museum hopes to Elk said.

# UTE LANGUAGE APP • FROM PAGE 1

don't do something, it's going to die. It's going to be a language of the past. This is my contribution to whoever wants to learn it. Here it is."

She said the project grew out of a suggestion from her son, who she admits is more tech savvy.

"I'm not a computer person," she said.

By Grove-D'Wolf's count, the Southern Ute speakers who are fluent in their language number fewer than 40

"As a teacher, I found out fluently." that out of the 1,498 tribal started my education, there speakers," she said. "We've could speak the language focus on things like gene-



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

A closer look at the app's main menu screen.

Grove-D'Wolf said she members in 2000 when I hopes the app will be available within a week. Not one was like 130-some fluent to rest on her laurels, she said he already has several lots a lot of our elders that more projects lined up that

alogy, creation stories and nursery rhymes.

"I've always been really passionate about my language," she said. "Somebody needs to do it. Because if you don't, it's going to be

# SACRED VAULT FOCUS GROUP



# For Southern Ute Tribal Members. FRIDAY JANUARY 10TH, 2014 5:00рм-6:30рм

Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum To be held in the large classroom.

Come join SUCCM in an informative discussion on the professional storing and protection of your most valuable traditional/ ceremonial items. Our newest grant has allowed for the funding of a vault/ storage area dedicated to Southern Ute tribal members, which will provide a functional repository for cultural and ceremonial pieces when not in use. This type of cultural vault, with an emphasis on accessibility to tribal members, will be the first of it's kind in any museum. Lets combine our ideas and concerns to make this sacred vault a model for tribal Museums around the world.

For more information contact: Tallas Cantsee (970) 563-9583 ext. 3608 email: tcantsee@southernute-nsn.gov

# **United Blood Services**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14 & 23 **Durango Community - Durango Center** 1 - 6 p.m., 146 Sawyer, Durango

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17 Animas Surgical Hospital - Bloodmobile 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., 575 Rivergate, Durango

**MONDAY, JANUARY 20** Bayfield Community - Pine Valley

2:30 - 5:30 p.m., 1328 CR 501, Bayfield

**Foursquare Church** 

146 Sawyer, DurangoTo celebrate National Blood Donor Month, all Donors will receive 200 extra Hero Award points in January. Any donor that wishes to donate at Colorado/ Utah drives please call 877-UBS-HERO to schedule an appointment, or go to www. UnitedBloodServices.org.

To get more information, you may also call 888-804-9913, ext 1000. If the office is closed, your call will be returned as soon as possible.

# **CULTURAL UPDATE**

### **CULTURE DEPARTMENT -**JANUARY ACTIVITES

Classes are held in the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum's Large Classroom **Youth Activities:** 

Jan. 8: 2:30-4:30 p.m. - Necklace making Jan. 22: 2:30-4:30 p.m. - Doll Making and drawing

# **Adult Activities:**

Jan. 7: 5:30-7:30 p.m. - Herbs

Jan. 9: 5:30-7:30 p.m. - Storytelling Jan. 21: 5:30-7:30 p.m. - Glove class

Jan. 28: 5:30-7:30 p.m. - Glove class

# (continued)

- **Ute Language:** · Reading and writing Ute with Dr. Givon
- Wednesdays 5:30-7:30 p.m. Conversational Ute with Alden Naranjo
- Thursdays 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Children and Family Ute with Crystal Ivey Jan. 5 and Jan. 19, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

# **Craft Activities:**

Thursdays 5:30-7:30 p.m., Staff is available to help you with your projects.

Sunday, Jan. 5 & Jan. 19, 10:30-4:30 p.m., A chance to work on your projects, pot luck and a movie. Sewing machines are available call Friday to reserve.

### **BEAR DANCE & TRIBAL FAIR** LOGOS NEEDED

The Southern Ute Powwow Committee needs two (2) new logos for the powwow posters this year. We are looking for something that represents our Powwow's, the Bear Dance and Fair Powwow.

- · Artwork should be original and must be signed and dated by the artist.
- Must measure 8"x10".
- · Must be in a medium that is print friendly
- · Pen & ink, acrylics, oil, watercolor, gouache, (no pencils please).
- Deadline Jan. 24, 2014, 5 p.m.
- Winning artwork awarded \$200/per logo.
- Open to all American Indian Artists. For more information contact Edward Box III at 970-779-8940.

# MUSEUM ATV RAFFLE ENDS FEB. 14

The board of directors of the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum has extended the drawing date for the Honda ATV raffle until noon, Feb. 14. Tickets will be sold at \$20 each or six for \$100. Tickets can be purchased in person at the museum front desk, board members and staff, or by phone with a credit card by calling 970-563-9583.



Future.

Plant the

Learn to Speak Ute

Family & Children Ute Language Classes— with Crystal Ivey

Sunday afternoons in the Cultural Center Large Classroom

2-4 PM January 12 & 19

Call to sign-up or just show up. Snacks are provided.

For more information please call: 970-563-0100 Ext. 2306 or Ext. 3620





# **JANUARY 2014**

JAN 7 - NORTHERN EDGE CASINO TRIP VAN LEAVING AT 9 A.M.

JAN 9 – FARMINGTON SHOPPING TRIP VAN LEAVING AT 9 A.M.

JAN 14 - TOWAOC CASINO TRIP VAN LEAVING AT 9 A.M.

JAN 23 – DURANGO SHOPPING TRIP VAN LEAVING AT 9:30 A.M.

TRIPS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE ALL TRIPS NEED TO HAVE 4 OR MORE TRIBAL ELDER, HANDICAPPED AND DISABLED MEMBERS. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL THE ELDER SERVICES OFFICE AT 563-0156

THE ELDER SERVICES STAFF WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES A HAPPY AND SAFE NEW YEAR!





Noon-1:30 PM

Movie: Graham Greene in "Skins"

Menu: Chicken and Rice Soup with Crackers Sandwiches Cherry Coke Jello Salad

For More Information: Darlene Frost 970-563-0100 Ext. 3620



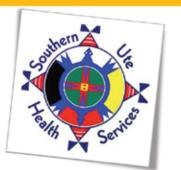
# **Buns and Guns.... Our strongest Artillery** Join our Group Exercise Team Saturday, January 18th 9am-1pm Come ready to battle in your full camo! Prizes. Zumba-9am refreshments, and a great BodyCombat- 9:45am atmosphere BodyStep-10:30am will be BodyPump-11:15am provided! BodyFlow-12pm **SunUte Community Center** Active Kid Care will be available!



(970) 563-0154 **CHR Program** 

Community Health Representatives strive to meet the needs of tribal members, Native Americans, descendants, and IHS eligible clients of the Southern Ute Reservation and local areas.

Southern Ute Health Service:



If you are interested in utilizing the services, a 24-hour request is required

for the following: · Medical appointments to and from

- Medication delivery
- Dialysis Transportation Diabetes Treatments
  - Home Health Care
- · Elder Medical Home visits
- · Any other related medical request 24-hour Emergency service/(970) 563-4401 (SUPD)

All services are CONFIDENTIAL and regulated by HIPPA Law.

### NATIONAL RADON MONTH

# Radon: What is it?

By Peter Dietrich SU ENVIRONMENTAL **PROGRAMS** 

Seeing as January is National Radon Month, I thought it'd be a good idea to share some radon information for the New Year.

Radon is a naturally occurring colorless, odorless, radioactive gas that is the second-leading cause of lung cancer behind smoking, with over 21,000 deaths per year. Cigarette smoking quadruples the risk of lung cancer when mixed with radon exposure. Radon comes from the nuclear disintegration of unstable uranium atoms in the ground.

Radon is measured in picocuries per liter (pCi/L), or one trillionth of a liter (0.000000000001 liter), and the experts at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency have set the "actionable level" at 4.0 pCi/L. The average outside radon level is about 0.4 pCi/L and our bodand can defend themselves from radon's affects.

Radon by itself is not harmful. It's in the same group of gases as helium, which is chemically inactive, but radon quickly turns into other radioactive elements once it gets into your lungs. The following process takes less than an hour once radon starts to disintegrate: uranium to radon to polonium to lead, which is stable.

Radon by itself is not harmful, it is in the same group of gases as helium which is chemically inactive, but Radon quickly turns into other radioactive elements once it gets into your lungs.

If all these elements stayed as solids, there would not be much of a problem, but radon is a gas and that's how it gets into your lungs. Radioactive elements are very unstable and become different elements after a period of time until they become stable. Every time ies are accustomed to this a radioactive element becomes a different element, a small amount of energy and matter is released, like a tiny explosion.

> This tiny explosion can damage your lung cells' DNA, and when those damaged cells goes to make a copy of themselves, they make bad copies, which becomes cancer cells.

> Radon gets into homes in many different ways but the biggest cause is the house it

self. Buildings create a natural vacuum, or low pressure, on the ground they are built on. The vacuum created is so small that it's very difficult to measure, but that's all it takes for radon to find its way in, especially when the heat is on or it's very windy outside.

Cinder block basements are especially susceptible to letting radon in. Fixing the problem can be a very simple process, but it depends on the building; every building is different, so the fixes can be quite different from house to house.

Most fixes involve drawing a small amount of air from under the house to prevent radon from getting in. If too much air is pulled from under the house, the problem becomes back-drafting natural gas appliances, which can cause carbon monoxide poisoning, which can kill in minutes whereas issues with radon generally take much longer.

# Info & free radon testing

For more information or to arrange for a free radon test, call Peter Dietrich at 970-563-0135, ext. 2238 or visit the Environmental Programs website at www. southernute-nsn.gov/ environmental-programs/ general-assistanceprogram.

# **Advertise** in the **Drum!**

Our rates are the best in the county!

Call or email today for more info!

970-563-0118

# **January is National Radon Testing Month**

**SUIT Environmental Programs** is offering FREE home radon testing to Tribal Members. Please Call Peter Diethrich @ 563-0135 x2238 for more information.

Priority to Elders and those

with infants in their homes



Stop letting tobacco keep you down. Take control and get back out there. Because the less you smoke, the more you live.

We offer the support and tools you need to be tobacco-free.

You can quit. We can help. Call 247-5702 to learn more.







# TODAY IS THE DAY.

The day you take your life back. The day you say goodbye to cigarettes and hello to spending time with the people who matter most.

Get the support and tools you need to be tobacco-free.

You can quit. We can help. Call 247-5702 to learn more.





# **EDUCATION**

# RTA Architects and Ignacio School District 11-JT win with CEFPI

RTA ARCHITECTS

RTA Architects, specialists in educational planning and design, and Ignacio School District 11-JT were recently awarded the 2013 Peak Merit Award for the recently completed Ignacio Middle School, presented by The Council of Educational Facility Planners International (CEFPI), Rocky Mountain Chapter.

The new Ignacio Middle school is the first phase of a comprehensive District-wide Master Plan completed by RTA Architects in 2011, with full design and construction administration services completed in August of 2013. RTA and the District formed a Design Advisory Team which jointly established a vision and goals for the projects. The resulting design takes advantage of the site, views, and natural surroundings; provides a supportive and engaging environment; offers adaptive and flexible learning environments for the future; introduces abundant daylight into classrooms and circulations spaces; and incorporates passive solar design strategies.

Located on a new site owned by the District, the school includes outdoor learning spaces, science and art spaces, flexible spaces worked into the corridors, a student courtyard, parking, athletic fields, and an area for the District agricultural program. The high performing, sustainable facility gently

touches the site by stepping the building with the natural grade, using low-water native plants for landscaping, and orienting the building to views of the La Plata Mountains to the northwest.

RTA Architects, a 33 person Colorado Springs, CO, architecture and planning firm, specializes in education, healthcare, retail and commercial projects. Supporting local, national and international communities, the RTA Architects mission is to honor and value their people, their clients, and the communities they represent; to design buildings that are sustainable, functional, and aesthetically pleasing; and to generate long term economic success for their clients and themselves.

# A corny Christmas

**Education** 



courtesy Luana Herrera/SU Education

Southern Ute tribal members (left to right) Rebecca Thompson, Connie Baker and Terry Box display their completed projects during a Christmas and corn husk class Dec. 14 at the Southern Ute Education department

# Attention kids 9-19 years old

# SunUte Recreation Presents a...

Skii Trip to V

When: Sunday January 26th

Cost: \$30 per child, Free For Tribal Members

Where: Wolf Creek, 1/2 day on the mountain. Ski or Snowboard, rentals

included. (Bring your own helmet)

Small sack lunch provided!

Transportation: provided by SunUte

Departure Time: 8am on Sunday, the

Recreation Department.

Limited Seats: First 22 kids to sign-up!

Deadline: Must be signed up no later than January 21st at 5pm.

Sign up: At SunUte Front Desk For more information call (970)563-0214

**EDUCATION UPDATE** 

# ADULT OCCUPATIONAL

### TRAINING/SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE CLASSES

If you are interested in any of the following classes please contact Luana Herrera, at 970-563-0237. Deadline to sign up for classes is Tuesday, Jan. 27.

# **Basic Business Communication Class**

This course covers the basics of effective and grammatically corrected proper usage and professionalism into the most common workplace communication. The focus will be on providing guidance and instruction to the work place professional that needs assistance in making their business writing clear, effective and grammatically correct. This class will be held for 2 hours a day on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. starting on Feb. 4, 2014 through Feb. 27, 2014. Classes will be held at the Education Center. The Southern Ute

Education Department will pay tuition for tribal members, if any others are interested in taking the class the cost will be \$350.

# **Basic Computer Class**

This course is designed for the beginning user and will offer a two day introduction to Microsoft (MS) Outlook, Word, Excel and PowerPoint. This course is designed as a corporate introduction and will focus on implementing the skills learned into the workplace for better understanding, efficiency and professionalism for the end user. This class will held for 2 hours a day on Monday and Wednesdays from 10 a.m.- 12 p.m. starting on Feb. 3, 2014 through Feb. 26, 2014. Classes will be held at the Education Center. The Southern Ute Education Department will pay tuition for tribal members, if any others are interested in taking the class the cost will \$350 and is limited to 10 students.

# Take your kids to the dentist.



# **February is Children's** Dental Health Month.

Make an appointment for your family today!

**Southern Ute Dental Clinic** 563-4581



# Southern Ute Education Dept. 2014 Sudden Science and STEM schedules

Sudden S	<u>cience (K-2)</u>	Sudden So	<u>cience (Grds. 3-5)</u>
Jan. 8	Class	Feb. 5	Class
Jan. 15	Class	Feb. 12	Class
Jan. 22	Last class	Feb. 19	Class
		March 5	Class
STEM (Gr	<u>ades 3-5)</u>	March 13	Class
Jan. 29	Class	March 19	Class
Feb. 26	Class	April 2	(Spring Break)
March 26	Class	April 9	Class
April 30	Last class	April 16	Class
		April 23	Class
		May 7	Class
		May 14	Last class

NOTE: Only STEM classes meet the last Wednesday of

each month

ALL CLASSES MEET ON EARLY RELEASE

**WEDNESDAY** 

# Advertise in the Drum!

Call or email today for more info! 970-563-0118 sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov

# coed Youth Basketball

Iannary

				Sames will begin			_		
Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
4&5 Lakers V. Armijo	5:15pm Red Court	10&11 Heat Becky Chandler	5:15pm Red Court	889 Warriors Adam Red	5:15pm Red Court	6&7 Bulls Brian Pennington	5:15pm Red Court	8&9 Bulls Byron Frost	5:15pm Red Court
4&5	5:15pm	6&7	5:15pm	889	5:15pm	10&11	5:15pm	485	5:15pm
Bulls	Blue Court	Sixers	Blue Court	Thunder	Blue Court	Nets	Blue Court	Mavs	Blue Cour
Chris Walker		Lizzy Price		Shasta Pontine		Arnulfo Pardo		Gabe Tate	
4&5	6:20pm	687	6:20pm	889	6:20pm	10&11	6:20pm	687	6:20pm
Thunder	Red Court	Clippers	Red Court	Marvs	Red Court	Pacers	Red Court	Warriors	Red Court
Tim Velasquez		Lee Larson		Ty Meyers		Velma Armijo		Lyndsay Box	
4&5	6:20pm	687	6:20pm	889	6:20pm	10%11	6:20pm	687	6:20pm
Pacers	Blue Court	Thunder	Blue Court	Spurs	Blue Court	Lakers	Blue Court	Wolves	Blue Cour
Trae Seibel		Teresa Chee		Velma Armijo		Franklin Thompson		Katie Whiteskunk	
10&11	7:30pm	687	7:30pm	889	7:30pm	10&11	7:30pm		7:30pm
Wolves	Red Court	Lakers	Red Court	Lakers	Red Court	Thunder	Red Court		Red Court
Jamie Wursten		Kateri Washington		Lawrence Taledo		Travis Nanteo			
	7:30pm		7:30pm	889	7:30pm	10&11	7:30pm		7:30pm
	Blue Court		Blue Court	Heat	Blue Court	Bulls	Blue Court		Blue Cour
				Tunda Romano		Nacomi Possell			



# Top 15 news trends of 2013

# 15. Budding stars



Long before their high school years even begin, younger athletes in basketball and volleyball stole headlines this year with excellent performances.

# 14. Exercising sovereignty



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum archive

Whether it was at the state level signing an agreement on reburial of remains or at the federal level getting answers from Congressmen and U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs officials about service issues, the tribe made sure it was treated with the respect afforded to other sovereign nations.

# 13. Sky Ute events

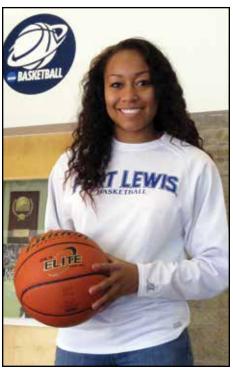
2013 was a banner year for events at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, including a boxing match in which Southern Ute descendant Kenny Lemos narrowly lost to former heavyweight champion James "Lights Out" Toney.



Joel Priest/SU Drum archive

# 12. Ute college athletes

lan Doughty (below) to Pepperdine for baseball. Michelle Simmons (right) to Fort Lewis for basketball. And others. In 2013, several young tribal athletes proved they were good enough to take their game to the next level.



Joel Priest/SU Drum archive



Ace Stryker/SU Drum archive

# 11. Water quality

The tribe's Water Quality Program was the subject of several Drum pieces. In 2013, staffers worked hard to ensure tribal waters will be healthy and whole for years to come.



January 10, 2014

Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum archive

# 10. Anti-bullying



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum archive

Last year, numerous youth events resounded a collective message: Bullies are not welcome here.

# 9. Documentary filmmaking



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum archive

Last year saw both the growth of budding auteurs within the tribe - the Boys & Girls Club screened a documentary on sacred tobacco early in the year - and interest from elsewhere, as when Rocky Mountain PBS came to town during the Bear Dance to film an episode in its Colorado Experience series.

# 8. Ignacio turns 100



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum archive

You only get one shot at a centennial celebration, and the Southern Ute Tribe and Town of Ignacio teamed up to make it a year to remember.

# 7. *Cool* field trips

Power plans, train rides and coal mines, oh my! Southern Ute students took trips last year to some of the coolest places around.



Damon Toledo/SU Drum SU Drum archive

# 6. Honoring our veterans

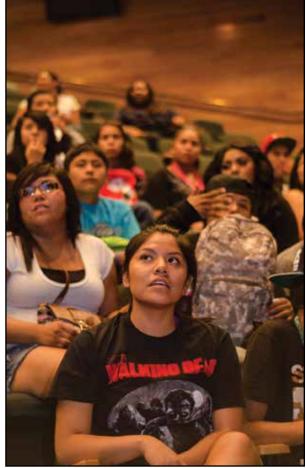


Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum archive

Don't let anyone tell you that they've lost a step with age: Southern Ute veterans were a vibrant force in the community in 2013, carrying the flags at many events and sharing their accumulated wisdom with local students.

# 5. Youth leadership

2013 was a year that saw many of the tribe's youth developing leadership qualities with the help of the Education Department and others.



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum archive

# 4. Growth in Ignacio



Ignacio welcomed the start or finish of several projects that will be among the biggest in the town's skyline, including new public schools and the Growth Fund II office building.

# 3. Monsoons

The Drum's top news trends for 2011 and 2012 both included wildfires burning across the state, but the fall of 2013 saw the opposite environmental problem: heavy and sustained rainstorms led to flooding and damage to many forest roads on the reservation.



**Trends** 



photos courtesy Mel Baker/SU Drum archive

# Tri-Ute Games return to Ignacio



Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU Drum archive

The biggest Tri-Ute Games ever took place over the summer at the SunUte Community Center and in other locations around town. It was the second time the Southern Ute Tribe has hosted the games.

# 1. Health care



Damon Toledo/SU Drum archive

Last year's flagship news item was health care. After years of conversation and study, the tribe announced it would provide health insurance cards to tribal members and begin expanding services at the Southern Ute Health Center.

# IHS BASKETBALL

# Second-ranked Cats pound Pagosa Springs by 23

IHS 7-and-0 entering Durango, 2014

By Joel Priest SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

During the Bobcats' opening 7-2 run, forcing opposing head coach Randy Sorenson into a timeout, junior Adison Jones already had booked two baskets, two rebounds and two assists.

During Ignacio's closing 49-31 attack, Clayton Jefferson seemed to have everything else needed, and most importantly when it was needed, to help rout Pagosa Springs inside IHS Gymnasium on Friday, Dec. 20, and finish the 2013 half of their schedule a perfect 7-and-0.

"Clayton got hot early, hit a couple of shots. He's the guy we use to ... calm everybody's nerves," said skipper Chris Valdez. "Because he's just a great shooter."

Having started the game with an "and-one" bucket deserving of the displayed fist-pump, Jefferson poured in 24 points – one more than he'd achieved in Bloomfield, N.M., three nights before – to pace the Cats in a 56-33 victory over the reigning Class 3A champion Pirates.

Ignacio (7-0, 1-0 2A/1A San Juan Basin League) led 12-6 after one quarter, increased it to 19-10 in the second after two Wyatt Hayesto-Nick Herrera connections, and led 28-16 at intermission, with Jefferson having already netted 14 points.

"From Bloomfield to now ... we kind of took our foot off the gas pedal in Bloomfield, and tonight we just kept it on," said Jones (8 points, 5 rebs.), who picked up his fourth foul with 0:43 left in the third, giving PSHS (3-4 overall, 0-0 3A



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Clayton Jefferson (11) shoots in traffic over Pagosa Springs' Luke DeVooght (3) during the Bobcats' rout of the Pirates at home, Dec. 20.

Intermountain) a fragile window of opportunity.

"They were running kind of a five-motion offense, and we run the same thing sometimes," Valdez said. "But it's kind of a slow-down; they look for back-door cuts, they wait for good shots, and they did. If you look at the shot chart ... they took shots right under the basket."

But trailing 37-21 through 24 regulation minutes, Springs managed just one hoop apiece from junior Luke DeVooght (6 pts.), sophomore Briar Erskine (8 pts.) and junior Trey Spears (2 pts.) in the final frame, while

Jefferson re-energized IHS with his closing 10 points.

Hayes (6 pts., 5 assists) and reserve guard Sam Corrado each came up with crucial steals from Pirate junior Tate Drane, leading to easy baskets at the other end and helping take some of the sting out of senior Kelton Richmond's uncharacteristic 2-of-9 foul-shooting night.

"He's our facilitator," Valdez said of Hayes, a sophomore. "And whether he's scoring or not, he's either going to score or he's going to make ... plays happen and that's what his job is."

"Wanted to win the fourth quarter because that's where we've been having trouble in the past," Jones said. "So I think we did a pretty good job this time."

Herrera totaled six points, Richmond and Anthony Manzanares four each, and Justin Carver and Tucker Ward each scored two before reserve Xavier Reynolds corralled a game-ending defensive rebound.

"It was a good, satisfying win. We wanted to go undefeated heading into [Christmas] break," Jones said. "And we've got Durango coming up ... just got to get prepared. So a good win for us. Beating the defending state champions feels good."

The Bobcats, ranked No. 2 in Class 2A, face DHS inside the DemonDome Saturday, Jan. 11, with Alan Batiste's team coming in 4-3 (0-0 4A/5A Southwestern) overall. After Durango, Ignacio's schedule continues with a home SJBL game on Jan. 18 against Dove Creek and a Jan. 21 rematch with PSHS away.

# FLC BASKETBALL

Juan Basin League).

# Former Cats featured on FLC cards

The Lady Bobcats begin the 2014 half of their schedule this weekend at the three-

day Webb Toyota/Kirtland (N.M.) Central Basin Invitational, with their opener occurring

yesterday (results were unavailable at press time) afternoon against Belen, N.M. The

Lady Eagles stood 6-2 overall (0-0 District 6-4A), while IHS entered 1-5 (0-0 2A/1A San

Lady cats enter 2014 season

SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Ignacio's Ellie Seibel emphatically smacks

a rebound away from Pagosa Springs'

Taylor Strohecker during the Lady

Bobcats' 68-36 home loss to the second-

ranked Class 3A Lady Pirates on Dec. 20.

In the sports memorabilia world, it often takes a long time for a trading card to earn its value.

But in the end, any player's "rookie card" – preferably from as early in his or her career as possible – usually ends up the most desired. Especially in the area in which he or she enjoyed greatest success.

And though only the future knows where basketball may take former Ignacio Bobcats Michelle Simmons, Ryan Brooks and Alex Herrera, their first cards are set to be released in Durango beginning next Friday, Jan. 17, when Fort Lewis College hosts Regis University for a men's/women's double-

As part of a venture between FLC Athletics and FASTFORWARD LLC, cards of Brooks and guard Cade Kloster, along with women's forwards Clare Nicolas and Kaile Magazzeni, will be handed out at Whalen Gymnasium that night to the first 100 kids 13 or younger.

Four player cards will be handed out at each home game for the remainder of the Skyhawks' regular-sea-

By Joel Priest son schedule, and the teams will host autograph sessions following the March 1 games against Colorado Mesa University.

Herrera's card, along with that of guard D.J. Blackmon and women's guard Erin Curry and guard/forward Kelsey Wainright, is slated to be offered Feb. 7 when Fort Lewis welcomes Western New Mexico. Simmons and forward Christie Groh will be featured the following night, along with men's guard Mike Matthews and center Oscar Garcia, when New Mexico Highlands visits.

The cardboard campaign kicked off Jan. 3 and 4 against Chadron State College and Black Hills State University, featuring men's players Jacob Gondrezick, JoeBell Austin, Kevin Flohr and Will Morse, and women's players Mary Brinton, Michelle Turner, Meagan Prins and Skylyn Webb.

Other remaining dates for young collectors to target will be Jan. 18 vs. Metro State University of Denver, Feb. 1 vs. Adams State University, Feb. 28 vs. Western State Colorado University, and the aforementioned March 1 clashes with the Grand Junctionbased Mavericks.

All women's home games begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by the men's games at 7:30 p.m. The only exception will be the twinbill against ASU, which will begin at 1 and 3 p.m., respectively.

Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Chrystianne Valdez looks to

turn the corner against Pagosa Springs'

Shannel Wilson (5) during the Lady

Bobcats' 68-36 home loss to the second-

ranked Class 3A Lady Pirates on Dec. 20.

On Monday, Jan. 6, the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference saluted Herrera with a third RMAC Defensive Player-of-the-Week nod.

The award came on the heels of the junior center's 19-point, nine-block, eightrebound work against CSC, and his 22-3-9 line against BHSU – helping the Hawks to wins over both.

Herrera leads the loop in blocked shots per game (4.4), rebounds per (9.2) and field goal accuracy (61.5 percent), and also ranks third in scoring (19.5 ppg) heading into this weekend's road trips down to NMHU and WNMU.

Working his way into Bob Hofman's plans, Brooks has seen court time in five of FLC's outings this season, recording his first collegiate scores against Portland (Ore.) Bible College and Pacifica (Anaheim, Calif.) College back on Nov. 8 and 9.

All told, in just 20 minutes of action - entering this weekend - Brooks has totaled five points, 10 rebounds and three swats.

# Advertise in the Drum!

Call today for more info at 970-563-0118 or email at sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Adison Jones (33) takes deadly aim for a shot over Pagosa Springs' Briar Erskine (12) during the Bobcats' rout of the Pirates at home, Dec. 20.

# **IHS WRESTLING**

# Wrestlers starting '14 at home

By Joel Priest SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Believed to have been in the mix for a top-six finish in their final pre-Christmas action, the Ignacio Bobcats will look to continue their quality wrestling and begin 2014 on a high note at home.

Unranked in On The Mat's most recent Class 2A team table, IHS will host non-league Center in dual action Friday, Jan. 10, with a start time tentatively set for 7 p.m.

After facing the seventh-ranked Vikings, Cody Haga's crew will set out bright and early and travel out to PSHS for the Pirates' annual Rocky Mountain Invitational. Wrapping up 2013, Igna-

cio competed at the dualformat Piedra Vista Panther Invitational down in Farmington, N.M., on Dec. 21, against a field also including PVHS, PVHS' JV, Gallup Miyamura, Aztec, Gallup, Kirtland Central, Moriarty and Farmington from the NMAA's Class 4A ranks; Bloomfield, Shiprock and Newcomb from its 3A realm; Dove Creek, Dolores and Mancos from Colorado's 2A; and Arizona 3A-Div. IV Fort Defiance Window Rock.

Owner of an extensive MMA background, notably in the King of the Cage circuit, Levi Stout's Panther varsity, dubbed "PV Blue" for the event, handily defeated his junior varsity (aka PV Silver) in the alldeciding duel, and Bloomfield placed third after defeating Miyamura 42-26.



# Voices

# **COMMUNITY GREETINGS**

### FOR THE FAMILY AND LOVED **ONES OF GREGORY NICK BOX**

**Ascension** And if I go,

While you are still here...

Know that I live on.

Vibrating to a different measure.

Behind a thin veil you cannot see through. You will not see me,

So you must have faith.

I wait for the time when we can soar together

Both aware of each other.

Until then, live your life to its fullest.

And when you need me,

Just whisper my name in your heart,

...I will be there.

With all my love and respect, James Box Jr.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY AUNTIE/SIS/MOM **Happy Birthday AUNTIE Sue!**

On your Birthday, close your eyes, look back and think about what a long way you have come. You are the best aunty a boy could ask for. Hugs and Kisses

Love Joey

### **Happy Birthday Mommy!**

You are one person in this world whom I can completely trust and I know you will never let me down. May the Creator bless you with happiness on your birthday.

Love Aeden

### Happy 21st Birthday Suzi Q!

On your special day I wish you only smiles and joy. May each minute of your life be filled with happiness and may this bday be just perfect for you! I cant believe you are an adult now seems like yesterday we were wild little kids running all over Ignacio Peak. No matter what you will always be my BABY Sister.

Love Siwee

## Happy 21st Birthday Suzi

Granddaughters are like the dreams that never end. We don't have enough words to tell you what a wonderful granddaughter you've been and how proud you've made us all these years. Wish you a very happy and sweet Birthday.

Love Grandma and Grandpa

**Happy Birthday Suzi** 

A & F

### HAPPY 18TH BIRTHDAY TO MY HANDSOME NEPHEW LEON

May God keep you strong, loving and kind. May he give you a lifetime of special blessings! You've become a fine young man, stay focused & don't be too mischievous. Hope you and Lazara had fun visiting us during the holidays, we enjoyed having you around! Have an awesome birthday! Rock On! We love you!

> Always, Antie Cookie, Ryan, Dee, Lil Landyn & Natalie

### MERRY BELATED CHRISTMAS To My Sissy Pooh-chee-vich, Brothers **Nelson and Keaton**

All my Friends and Relatives. Happy holidays! May Creator bestow upon y'all many blessings and joy this season, and throughout the year!

Cassandra Naranjo

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Creator bless this young man as he walks along his road of life. May you give him many great gifts and take care of him and his dad this winter season and all the seasons to come in this coming year! I Love you son and miss you always!

To My Son Moav' AJ Berry and Tom Berry

Mom

## To Nathan Maes, Grandson

Merry X-mas and Happy New Year! You are the best! Gramma loves you very much. May this season and all year be great for you. Creator take care and watch over you

Gramma KC

### **To Katrina Mimis**

Merry X-mas, and happy, happy birthday baby-girl! When Creator brought you into this world, New Year's Day, I was blessed. Creator bless my mimis with the gifts and moments that she will treasure for a lifetime Enjoy yourself, (on your vacation with Bruce Lee)!

I love you - Mama

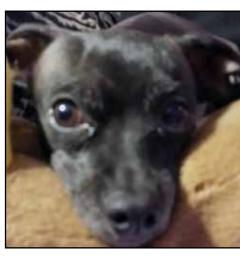
# To My Dad - Alden B. Naranjo

I wanna wish you a very happy birthday, and many more to come. We are very fortunate to have you as dad, grandpa and guide. Love You, and may Creator always take care of you. 'KC, Dave, Kat, Moav' and Nate



# MISSING!

3 Year old Chiwennie went missing from 43 Frybread Ave. on December 28, 2013. He weighs around 6 to 7 pounds and about 11 inches long. We are offering a \$500.00 reward for his safe return, no questions asked. If wish to remain anonymous please turn him into the animal control department. He is a big part of our family and we miss him dearly. Your help is greatly appreciated. Any information please call, Leigh 970-759-2516 or Derrick 970-769-2300. Thank you and Happy New Year to all!





# In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

Of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe • On the Southern Ute Reservation PO Box 737 #149, CR 517, Ignacio, CO • 970-563-0240

In the Estate Of, Case No. 2013-0122-CV-PR Thella Howell - Bigleggins,

NOTICE OF PROBATE

Notice to: Heirs, devisees, legatees, creditors and all other persons claiming an interest in said estate: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Ignacio, CO: Greetings: Take notice that a petition has been filed in this cause, alleging that the above decedent died leaving certain assets, and asking for the determination of heirs of said decedent, the administration of said estate including the allowing of creditors of said decedent and for distribution thereof. You are notified that said cause will be set for hearing before the Tribal Court at the above address on January 28, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to file them for allowance with the Tribal Court at the stated address on or before the time and date of said hearing, as above set forth or said claims shall be forever barred and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to appear and

answer said Petition and offer evidence in support of their position. The Court will proceed to hear the matter at the date and time set above, or such later time to which the matter shall be continued and to make the determination therein

> Dated this 24th of December, 2013 Tasha Herrera, Deputy Court Clerk

### In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2013-0123-CV-NC Miguel Alejandro Rodriguez NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

Notice is hereby given that Miguel Alejandro Rodriguez has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Miguel Alejandro Red. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than January 27, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

> Dated this 19th day of December, 2013. Janie Herrera, Court Clerk

# **EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS**

### **GREG BOX FAMILY THANKS**

The family of Greg Box would like to thank each and every one of you who gave their support during this difficult time. Your kind and heartfelt words of sympathy have been greatly appreciated and have made some of the pain of our loss a little bit more bearable.

Love all whom you hold dear Precious is the time you share Do not wait for tomorrow

For tomorrow may not be...

struction Services staff, Larry Tucker, Elwood Kent, Dude Perry and family, Tallas Cantseem and Alan Herrera Jr. and crew. May each and every one of you have many

A special thank you goes out to the Sky

Ute Casino Resort, Hood Mortuary, South-

ern Ute Multi-purpose Facility staff, Con-

blessing for the help and sympathy that each of you have shown to our family.

The family

### EDITOR'S NOTE: ALL LETTERS PUBLISHED IN THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM ARE PUBLISHED AS SUBMITTED AND DO NOT REFLECT THE OPINION OF THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM OR THE SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE.

The Southern Ute Drum encourages letters from readers on any topic. We ask that letters be 500 words or less. Letters deemed to be libelous will not be published. Letters should be submitted by email to astryker@southern-ute.nsn.us by the end of the day Monday preceding publication.

# GENRAL PUBLIC NOTICE **Unauthorized Livestock on So. Ute Indian Reservation**

It is illegal to graze unauthorized livestock on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe shall continue to strictly enforce Title 18 of the Southern Ute Tribal Code and applicable federal regulations which prohibit trespass by livestock and the running-at-large of livestock on Tribal lands. Violators of Title 18 of the Southern Ute Tribal Code are subject to civil penalties and fines up to \$1000.00, impoundment of livestock and all impoundment costs. In addition, violators may be subject to actual and punitive damages and injunctive relief. If you have livestock trespassing on Southern Ute Indian Tribal lands, you have until 4 p.m. on January 12, 2014 to contact Southern Ute Animal Control to claim/gather said trespass livestock and pay any associated fines. After this date and time the Tribe will take all necessary action to ensure the protection of the Reservation and its natural resources, including those actions authorized by the Tribe's Constitution and Code. You may contact Southern Ute Animal Control at 970-563-0133.

# **NEW EMPLOYEES**



### Sacha Smith

Job title: Media manager apprentice

Job duties: Assisting in the production and editing of the tribal newspaper, annual report, calendar and special publications.

Hobbies: Basketball, watching sports. GO LOBOS! Tribe: Southern Ute.

Additional comments: I'm grateful for this learning experience, and look forward to meeting many new people.

# The Southern Ute Drum Deadlines for 2014

Deadline Dates		Federally recognized holidays and Drum office closures	Distribution & mailout	
Jan.	6	New Year's Day: Wednesday, Jan. 1, offices closed	Jan.	10
Jan.	17*	Martin Luther King Jr. Day: Monday, Jan. 20, offices closed	Jan.	24
Feb.	3	Valentine's Day: Friday, Feb. 14	Feb.	7
Feb.	14"	Presidents Day: Monday, Feb. 17, offices closed	Feb.	21
March	3		March	7
March	17		March	21
March	31		April	4
April	14	Easter: Sunday, April 20	April	18
April	28	Mother's Day: Sunday, May 11	May	2
May	12		May	16
May	23"	Memorial Day: Monday, May 26, offices closed	May	30
June	9	Father's Day: Sunday, June 15	June	13
June	23		June	27
July	7	Independence Day: Thursday, July 4, offices closed	July	11
July	21	SU Sun Dance Feast: Monday, July 14, offices closed	July	25
Aug.	4		Aug.	8
Aug.	18		Aug.	22
Aug.	29*	Labor Day: Monday, Sept. 1, offices closed Grandparents' Day: Sunday, Sept. 7	Sept.	5
Sept.	15		Sept.	19
Sept.	29		Oct.	3
Oct.	13	Cultural Diversity Day: Monday, Oct. 13	Oct.	17
Oct.	27	Halloween: Friday, Oct. 31	Oct.	31
Nov.	7*	Veterans Day: Nov. 11 & 12, offices closed	Nov.	14
Nov.	21*	Thanksgiving: Nov. 27 & 28, offices closed	Nov.	26*
Dec.	8	Leonard C. Burch Day: Wednesday, Dec. 10, offices closed	Dec.	12
Dec.	19°	Christmas: Dec. 25 & 26, offices closed	Dec.	24*

All content including classifieds, job announcements, display ads, letters, stories and articles, press releases, birthday and holiday wishes and greetings, submitted for publication after deadline will be considered for the following issue. Requests for design work must be submitted by 5 p.m. on the Monday preceding publication. The Drum reserves the right to edit all materials for spelling, grammar, clarity and libel.

\* Denotes an early deadline or publication

The Southern Ute Drum • Phone: 970-563-0118 • Fax: 970-563-0391 Email: sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov • Mail: P.O. Box 737 #96, Ignacio, Colo. 81137 Physical address: 356 Ouray Dr., Ignacio, Colo. (Leonard C. Burch Building, 2nd floor, west side)

Next issue

**Jan. 24** 

Deadline **Jan. 17** 

Articles, photos, advertisements, public notices, letters and greetings may be submitted in person, by mail, or by email to the following address:

astryker@southernute-nsn.gov

# THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

y newspaper owned and operated by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation in Ignacio, Colo.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES: \$29 per year • \$49 two years PHONE: 970-563-0100 • DIRECT: 970-563-0118 TOLL FREE: 1-800-772-1236 • FAX: 970-563-0391

> **MAILING ADDRESS** Southern Ute Drum PO Box 737 #96, Ignacio, CO 81137

**PHYSICAL ADDRESS** 

356 Ouray Drive LCB Building, 2nd Floor, Ignacio, CO 81137

**STAFF EXTENSIONS & EMAIL ADDRESSES** 

The Southern Ute Drum (sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov)
Ace Stryker • Editor, ext. 2255 (astryker@southernute-nsn.gov) Sacha Smith • Editor Apprentice, ext. 2256 (sasmith@southernute-nsn.gov) Robert Ortiz • Composition Tech., ext. 2253 (rortiz@southernute-nsn.gov) Damon Toledo • Reporter/Photographer, ext. 2252 (dtoledo@southernute-nsn.gov) Trennie Collins • Administrative Assistant, ext. 2251 (tcollins@southernute-nsn.gov)

The Southern Ute Drum does not assume responsibility for unsolicited material and does not guarantee publication upon submission. Published biweekly and mailed 1st class from Ignacio, Colo. Printed by the Cortez Journal • Cortez, Colo.

The Southern Ute Drum is a member of the Native American Journalists Association and the Colorado Press Association.



# FOR SALE **Attention tribal members and tribal employees**

Get to work in 5 minutes from this 16-irrigated acres on the Southern Ute Indian Tribe reservation, 4 easy miles north from Ignacio, one full irrigation water share from the King Ditch, south sloping land growing hay, average 650 bales one cutting, w/pond, electricity at property line, entirely fenced, private, excellent access road, asking price has been reduced to \$170K but will discount \$5K to Southern Ute Tribal member or Southern Ute Tribal employee for a quick close please call Steve Williams 970-884-1326 or email questions to ljmforever53@gmail.com for more details.

# SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE - SOCIAL SERVICES **Citizen Review Panel**

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking two (2) Southern Ute Tribal Members to serve on the Citizen Review Panel. The Panel reviews complaints arising from and related to cases handled by the Tribe's Division of Social Services and engages in a conflict resolution process. Panel members shall receive compensation at the rate of \$25 per hour for service on the Panel. Applicants must be at least eighteen (18) years of age or older; have demonstrable personal or professional knowledge and experience with children and/or adult protection; have no convictions for crimes of violence or involving a child victim; is not party to litigation involving the Division, or has had an active welfare case within two years; is not a Division employee. All applicants will be subject to a background investigation. Tribal members interested in serving on the Citizen Review Panel can turn in a letter of intent at the Human Resources Office. The letter should provide specific evidence of his/ her qualifications. For detailed information about this volunteer position call Human Resources at 970-563-0100 Ext. 2424.

# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Southern Ute Housing Authority**

The Southern Ute Indian Housing Authority in Ignacio, CO is accepting proposals for a 2 (two) year contract January 2014 - December 2015 to furnish and install flooring for all Housing Authority Units on an as needed basis. All vinyl is a Riteway exclusive and will need to

be purchased through them directly. Proposals must be submitted to the Housing Authority by January 27, 2014 by 10:00 a.m. by mail, P.O. Box 447, Ignacio, CO 81137, or by email rtorres@suiha.org. For additional information, please contact Rebecca Torres, at 970-563-4575.

January 10, 2014

## **Sky Ute Casino Resort – Job announcements**

Visit our website at www.skyutecasino.com to view job openings and apply online. Human Resources • Phone: 970-563-1311 • PO Box 340, Ignacio, CO 81137 TERO-Native American Preference • All Applicants Welcome • Must pass pre-employment drug test, background check, and qualify for and maintain a Division of Gaming License.

### Craps Dealer (Full-time)

Closing date 1/10/14

Deal all craps games. Promotes positive guest relations through prompt, courteous, and efficient service. High School Diploma/GED. 1 year experience as a Craps Dealer with dealer school certification or 3 years experience dealing Craps, or Sky Ute Casino dealer certificate. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in Craps.

### Line Cook-Willows (Full-time)

Closing date 1/13/14

Responsible for the preparation of the a-la-carte menu in the Willows restaurant and accountable for consistency of standardized recipes, presentation, food quality, and freshness. High School Diploma/GED. Must be at least 18 years old. Must have at least 1 year cooking experience as a cook in a fast paced full service restaurant or 6 months in house training.

# SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE **Gaming Commission Vacancies**

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking two (2) Southern Ute Tribal Members to serve on the Gaming Commission for a three (3) year term. Applicants must possess the following attributes pursuant to the Regulation One of the Gaming Commission Rules and Regulations:

- Applicants must be at least twenty-one years of age;
- · Applicants must possess a basic knowledge and understanding of gaming activities authorized on the Southern Ute Indian reservation;
- Applicants must have experience or expertise in regulatory matters or in administrative hearing
- Applicants must have the ability to observe restrictions concerning conflicts of interest and
- Applicants must submit an application form and a letter of interest explaining why the applicant wishes to be appointed to the Commission; and
- Applicants must undergo a background investigation.

Applications may be obtained at the Division of Gaming Office - Licensing in the West Wing of the Justice Complex, 149 County Road 517, Ignacio, Colorado, 81137. Applications and letters of interest are required to be turned into the Division of Gaming Office by 5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 28, 2014. Any questions can be answered by the Division of Gaming at 970-563-0180.

# Advertise in the Drum! Our rates are the best in the county! Call or email today for more info! 970-563-0118

sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov



Your input is needed! Our club Board of Directors create its vision, plan programs, develop funding and more. We are looking for experienced people who are invested in this community's youth and are excited about being a key component of this organization. There are open positions for tribal or community members. Finance experience a plus.

# Applications are due by Jan 14, 2014 and are available at www.bgcsu.org

For more information please contact Mr. Bruce LeClaire, CPO, at (970) 563-0100 x 2694

# FOR SALE

Brand NEW home on 1.4 acres outside Ignacio. 1540 sq-ft, 3b/2b. Owner financing available. \$269K. 970-749-6646.

# TRIBAL HOUSING SURVEY

Notice to all adult Southern Ute Tribal Members:

In early February, 2014 you will receive a survey in the mail asking for your input on housing needs. The data we gather will be used to create a Tribal Housing Needs Assessment.

Please complete the survey and return using the stamped return envelope provided. All Tribal Members who return surveys postmarked no later than February 24, 2014 will be eligible for a drawing for 5 different prizes:

- 2. i Pad Touch
- 3. \$100 Gift Certificate to the Seven Rivers Restaurant 4. \$50 Gift Certificate to Wal Mart
- 5. \$50 Gift Certificate to Home Depot

Thank you in advance for your participation. The better the participation, the better information we have to incorporate into the Needs Assessment.

# Shining Mountain Diabetes Program

is seeking volunteers to record Public Service Announcements to be randomly played on KSUT.

Needing Children, Adults and Elders. If interested please call us at 563-4741.



# GRAB PRIZES LIKE THESE:

\$10,000 IN CASH

SATURDAYS ONLY!

Earn 250 points on your Bear Club Card each Saturday and you'll be eligible to pick one Cash Bundle from the Big Cash Grab pile! Each Cash Bundle (which is really a great t-shirt that you can also take home) has fantastic

- \$25-\$1,000 CASH PRIZES
- SKY UTE LOOT FREE BOWLING
- FREE DINING AT WILLOWS BAJA GRILLE
- HOTEL STAY DISCOUNTS
- 5,000 FREE BONUS POINTS!

Every Cash Grab Winner will be entered to win \$10,000 drawn on February 1, 2014 at 9PM. Must be present to win.



SKYUTECASINO.COM 888.842.4180 IGNACIO, COLORADO

Promotional period January 4-25, 2014 from 9AM-11PM, Saturdays only. One cash bundle per week per Bear Club Member. Rules apply. See Players' Club for details



# **New Office Hours**

Beginning on January 7, 2014 for the La Plata County Motor Vehicle Offices (license plates/vehicle titles)

Durango: 98 Everett Street, Suite A, shall be open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

Bayfield: 1199 Bayfield Parkway, shall be open from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

To renew your registration online, visit www.colorado.gov/renewplates. For additional information, please call (970) 382-7075.

# **Southern Ute Growth Fund – Job announcements**

Please visit our website at www.sugf.com/jobs.asp to view job details and to apply online. Human Resources • PO Box 367, Ignacio, CO 81137 • Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-5024 Tribal member employment preference • Must pass pre-employment drug test and background check

### Construction Manager - Aka Energy Group Closing date 1/10/14

Colorado, Oklahoma, or SE New Mexico. Managing construction projects for natural gas pipelines, compressor stations and gas plants for the Aka Energy Group.

### Construction Superintendent - Aka Energy Group

Closing date 1/10/14

Colorado, Oklahoma, or SE New Mexico. Managing field inspectors and other contract labor and services and for providing construction management support for company construction projects including pipeline systems, compression facilities, processing plants and associated facilities. Responsible for ensuring application of, and compliance with, all company and Growth Fund safety policies and procedures. Ensures that company construction standards are followed.

### Geologic Technician III - Red Willow Production Co.

Closing date 1/13/14

Ignacio, CO. Provides technical and clerical support to Red Willow geologic staff. Works closely with geoscientists to provide maps and database maintenance for projects. Works routinely within geographic database programs, such as ArcGIS and other oil and gas specific mapping platforms. Works with Engineering, Land, and Operations staff as needed.

### Land Assistant II - Red Willow Production Co. Closing date 1/13/14

Ignacio, CO. Provides administrative and communications to support the Land Department, to include collecting data and performing quality checks on information input into company databases in support of the Land Records Analysts and the Division Order Analysts. Assists with other land duties as needed. Supervision is readily available and work is checked periodically.

### Lease Operator IV - Red Willow Production Co. Closing date 1/13/14

Ignacio, CO. Lead operations position and requires incumbent to make global assessment and recommendations on daily operational tasks based while remaining in compliance with Red Willow Production Company's priorities and procedures. This position may specialize in one or more areas of production, construction and/ or well servicing, and may be asked to direct the work of less experienced operations personnel.

# Maintenance Tech I - Aka Energy Group

Closing date 1/15/14

Artesia, NM or Maljamar, NM. Maintaining equipment at the gas processing plant and the field compressor stations safely and efficiently. Performs work related to operation, maintenance, and repair of plant and compression equipment, including processing plant equipment, pumps, gas and refrigeration compressors, coolers, electric generation, dehydration equipment, and control systems.

### Measurement Tech I - Aka Energy Group Closing date 1/15/14

Maljamar, NM. Completing all gas measurement and cathodic protection related activities and work tasks. Performs work related to operation and maintenance of measurement equipment at plant and field facilities, including processing plants, compressors, compressor stations, and dehydration equipment. Maintains and calibrates measurement equipment and facilities.

# Mechanic II - Aka Energy Group

Closing date 1/15/14

Artesia, NM or Maljamar, NM. Performs work related to operation, maintenance, and repair of plant and compression equipment, including processing plant equipment, pumps, gas and refrigeration compressors, coolers, electric generation, dehydration equipment, and control systems.

### Mechanic III - Aka Energy Group Closing date 1/15/14

Artesia, NM or Maljamar, NM. Performs work related to operation, maintenance, and repair of plant and compression equipment, including processing plant equipment, pumps, gas and refrigeration compressors, coolers, electric generation, dehydration equipment, and control systems.

### Operations Tech I – Aka Energy Group Closing date 1/15/14

Artesia, NM or Maljamar, NM. Responsible for operating one or more gas plant processes, including widely diversified job tasks within the same process, in a safe manner; responsible for assisting in shutdown planning. Plant facilities could include gas processing plants, plant compressors, electric generation, dehydration equipment, control systems, treating systems as well as other processes. Facility will be operated as efficiently and profitably as possible.

# Operations Tech II - Aka Energy Group

Closing date 1/15/14

Maljamar, NM. Operating one or more gas plant processes, including widely diversified job tasks within the same process, in a safe manner; responsible for assisting in shutdown planning.

Plant facilities could include gas processing plants, plant compressors, electric generation, dehydration equipment, control systems, treating systems as well as other processes. Facility will be operated as efficiently and profitably as possible.

### Operator III - Aka Energy Group

Closing date 1/15/14

Artesia, NM or Maljamar, NM. Operating one or more gas plant processes, including widely diversified job tasks within the same process, in a safe manner; responsible for assisting in shutdown planning. Plant facilities could include gas processing plants, plant compressors, electric generation, dehydration equipment, control systems, treating systems as well as other processes.

### Pipeline Operator III - Aka Energy Group Closing date 1/15/14

Maljamar, NM. Safely monitoring, repairing and maintaining existing pipeline assets as well as overseeing new pipeline installation and managing one call requests. Troubleshoots issues related to pipeline and gathering equipment and function, including measurement and SCADA. Identifies and implements improvements to equipment and process safety, functionality, and efficiency. Assists less experienced pipeline operators with routine duties as directed by Pipeline Foreman.

### Pipeline Tech I - Aka Energy Group Closing date 1/15/14

Maljamar, NM. Completing, or supervising the completion by contractors, of all pipeline repair, maintenance and new pipeline installation.

### Field Maintenance Technician - Red Cedar Gathering Co.

Closing date 1/17/14

Durango, CO. Ooperating and maintaining the field compressor stations and associated equipment safely and efficiently.

### Business Systems Analyst I - Red Willow Production Co.

Closing date 1/21/14

Ignacio, CO. Under general direction of the IT Manager, leads business system analysis, support, and use of Red Willow's integrated oil and gas business software. Interface with users of software to evaluate needs and develop business solutions utilizing IT technology.

### Business Systems Analyst II - Red Willow **Production Co.**

Closing date 1/21/14

Ignacio, CO. Under general direction of the IT Manager, leads business system analysis, support, and use of Red Willow's integrated oil and gas business software. Interface with users of software to evaluate needs and develop business solutions utilizing IT technology.

### Business Systems Analyst III - Red Willow Production Co.

Closing date 1/21/14

Ignacio, CO. Under general direction of the IT Manager, leads business system analysis, support, and use of Red Willow's integrated oil and gas business software. Interface with users of software to evaluate needs and develop business solutions utilizing IT technology.

### **Network Administrator – SU Growth Fund** Closing date 1/22/14

Ignacio, CO. Enterprise network administration and troubleshooting. Manages information systems, servers, network appliances.

# Microsoft SharePoint Administrator - SU

**Shared Services** Closing date 1/24/14

Ignacio, CO. SharePoint farm with respect to Microsoft SharePoint. Establish and support development, test and production environments using Microsoft SharePoint and third party applications. Work with team members at various levels to ensure that development, test and production environments are deployed to meet Shared Services software development lifecycle standards.

### PeopleSoft Senior Payroll Developer - SU **Shared Services**

Closing date 1/24/14

Ignacio, CO. Development and production support of PeopleSoft Human Capital Management (HCM) North America and related interface to General Ledger and Accounts Payable, providing enterprise-wide PeopleSoft Payroll technical support and consultation. This position will focus on the technical view of the North America Payroll application with emphasis on the impact, implications, and functional/technical benefit of enhancements, as well as the design and implementation of customizations and fixes to the production system.

### Senior PeopleSoft Project Manager - SU **Shared Services**

Closing date 1/24/14

Ignacio, CO. Leading the internal Shared Services FSCM and HCM projects. Creates and executes project work plans and revises plans as appropriate to meet changing business needs and priorities.

# Advertise in the Drum!

Call or email today for more info! 970-563-0118 · sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov

# **Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Job announcements**

Please refer to the complete job announcements on the Human Resources website at www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs. If you need help filling out an online application, please come into the HR office and we are happy to assist you on our applicant computer stations. ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED ONLINE Applicants and employees, please be sure the HR Department has your current contact

information on file. P.O. Box 737 - Ignacio, CO 81137 Phone: 970-563-0100 ext. 2424 • Fax: 970-563-0302 • Hotline: 970-563-4777 Human Resources accepts applications for temporary employment on an ongoing basis.

### Crisis Case Worker

Closing date 1/10/14

Provides counseling referrals for resources available to victims of crime within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Reservation. Paygrade 15: \$14.10 hour.

### Water Quality Program Manager

Closing date 1/10/14

Plans, develops, and administers the environmental Water Quality Program for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Pay grade 21: \$53,373/year.

### **Diabetes Program Coordinator - .8 FTE** Closing date 1/13/2014

Provides reception, clerical, secretarial and records management services for the Diabetes Program, coordinates patient appointments and wellness activities for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Diabetes Program and complies with grant guidelines and implements grant objectives and goals. Develops, implements, monitors and evaluates special programs related to wellness activities within the Diabetes Program. Coordinates diabetes education classes. This position is grant funded for 32 hours/week with full benefits, at pay grade 16: \$15.63/hour.

### Diabetes Program Patient Coordinator - .8 FTE Closing date 1/13/14

Coordinates and conducts health screenings for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Diabetes Program; provides health promotion, disease prevention activities to the diabetic population and community. Complies with grant guidelines and implements grant objectives and goals. This position is grant funded for 32 hours/week at pay grade 16: \$15.63/hour and requires a current LPN Colorado license.

### Social Services Clinical Supervisor (Full or part-time)

Closing date 1/13/14

May be filled as a full time, or a part time position, depending upon the availability of the successful applicant. Senior level position that provides Clinical Supervision to staff Caseworkers providing a full range of intake and/or ongoing social casework services for a variety of program areas such as child abuse and neglect cases, youth-in-conflict cases, and adults unable to protect their own interests. Pay grade 22: \$60,320/year for full-time and requires a valid State of Colorado LCSW or LPC license.

### **Payroll Specialist** Closing date 1/14/14

Processes time cards and Kronos sheets for

the Tribe's bi-weekly payroll. Generates and distributes payroll checks. Performs payroll process duties as necessary. Pay grade 19: \$20.64/hour.

# **Social Services Caseworker 2**

Closing date 1/15/14

Advanced level position that requires knowledge of the theories, principles, and concepts of social casework practice (assessment and treatment oriented) related to all of the assigned program areas, including child and adult protection services. Pay grade 20: \$47,868/year.

### Range Technician

Closing date 1/16/14

Under the general supervision of the Range Division Head, represents the Range Division in a positive professional manner while implementing and coordinating range management activities. Pay grade 18: \$18.80/hour.

### **Clinical Pharmacist** Closing date 1/20/14

Professional health care position providing direct pharmaceutical care for patients at the Southern Ute Health Center. Pay grade 26: \$94,615/year.

### **Human Resources Director**

Closing date 1/31/14

Under general direction of the Executive Officer, is responsible for management of the Human Resources Department, Employee Benefits Division, and the Risk and Emergency Management Division within the Tribal Organization. Planning activities, overseeing direction of department and establishing an internal evaluation process for the Human Resources Department. Day-to-day supervision, problem resolution, support, guidance, policy interpretation, and technical assistance to directors, division heads, and supervisors. Pay grade 26: \$159,905/year.

### **Behavioral Health Manager**

Open until filled

Developing, coordinating and managing the behavioral health program for the Southern Ute Health Center. In addition, the incumbent oversees the program contract requirements, program development, resource management, employee supervision and training and provides direct clinical client services to eligible members in the community. This position serves as the Supervisor for mental health services provided to children, adolescents, adults, couples, families and groups. Pay grade 24: 74,667/year.

### **Chief Medical Officer - Tribal Health Clinic** Open until filled

Full-time position organizing and supervising the work of Southern Ute Health Center clinical programs to ensure that effective clinical services are provided and quality standards are met. Will provide the day-to-day oversight and coordination of all clinical providers and overall leadership of the clinical department to ensure compliance with all appropriate policies, regulations and accreditation standards. Will require providing both direct patient care services as well as all required administrative services within the department with a split of approximately half of the time being allotted to each clinical and administrative duties.

Temporary Boys & Girls Club Program Aides, Swimming Instructors, Umpires, Referees, and Scorekeepers Open until filled

# SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL MEMBERS ONLY JOB POSITIONS

### Culture Department Bison Instructor (Part-time) Closing date 1/13/14

Part-time, to provide program coordination, organization, design, and implementation described in the scope of work of the grant description that funds the position. It involves developing

materials and providing Bison education to the tribal membership, in the traditional uses of bison. Will develop a cook book, and hold cooking sessions for the membership. Grant-funded and its continuation is dependent upon continuation of funding and is funded for an average of 15 hours/ week, but not to exceed 800 hours in the one year of the grant cycle. Pay grade 15: \$14.10/hour.

# **Culture Department Media Technician**

Closing date 1/15/14

Creating audio and video documentation of language and culture teaching and activities, creating language and culture learning technological tools, editing the material, and copying and archiving the material. Pay grade 18: \$18.80/hour.

# **Culture Department Youth Educator (Part-time)**

Closing date 1/13/14 Part-time, to provide program coordination,

organization, design, and implementation described in the scope of work of the grant description that funds the position. Involves providing cultural programing for the youth of parents who will be attending DBT classes, as well as supporting the cultural youth and family programs at the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy and the Boys & Girls Club. The DBT classes will be held in 8-week long sessions, three times per year. Grant-funded for a three year period at an average of 13 hours/week, but not to exceed 720 hours in one year of the grant cycle. Pay grade 15; \$14.10/hour.

# **Vital Statistics Clerk**

Closing date 1/16/14 Provides clerical and secretarial support to the Records Manager. Maintains accurate, concise and updated records of living and deceased Tribal Members. Prepares enrollment application requests for submission to Tribal Council. Assists tribal members with requests for tribal information. Provides organizational

support to Tribal Information Services (TIS)

# Team Jobs Program

staff. Pay grade 16: \$15.63/hour

Continuously open

The Team Jobs positions are temporary assignments that are filled as needed from the current pool of applicants. The rate of pay is set at the minimum pay for the assignment, but not less than \$11/hour.

# SUCAP - Job announcements

Southern Ute Community Action Program

Central Office • 285 Lakin St., Ignacio, CO • Phone: 970-563-4517 • Fax: 970-563-4504 Obtain complete job description/application from SUCAP offices • www.sucap.org

# **Driver - SUCAP/Road Runner (Part-time)**

Open until filled

Current CDL, medical card, and passenger endorsement preferred. High School Diploma/ GED required. Must be insurable by SUCAP. Must submit a Motor Vehicle Report with application. Must be able to pass drug/alcohol test, background check.

# Assistant Cook - SUCAP/Senior Center

Open until filled

Assist in preparing Meals on Wheels and on-site meals for elderly nutrition program. Great benefits and hours and weekends off. Will maintain kitchen cleanliness, must obtain food handlers within 3 months of hire, experience cooking for large groups preferred. Must be able to lift at least 50 pounds. Must have valid Colorado driver's license and be insurable by SUCAP insurance.



# Casting with a light

By Don Oliver SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

I believe the movement patterns of a golf swing and flyfishing cast are very similar.

Since the goal is to get the ball or fly to a place you want it to be, how your cast or swing looks is immaterial. However, with any movement pattern, for any sport or activity, there are things you can do to make them more efficient with less effort.

For fly-fishing, a small flashlight used indoors can help. For golf, I have no idea what to suggest, except maybe to take up fly-fishing.

Anyone who has taken a fly-fishing casting lesson has heard, "Don't bend your wrist, start the cast at 10 and end it at 2, don't straighten out your arm." Those three snippets are most likely heard more often by fly-fishing students than anything else.

And if the student is lucky, they have a teaching professional who can give a really good demonstration of those three parts of a cast.

If you've heard those words from friends and fly-fishing buddies, but really don't know how to address them on your own, I have a suggestion. The only piece of equipment you'll need is a flashlight having a small beam.

Now hold the flashlight as if you were gripping your favorite fly rod. Point the beam from the flashlight to where the ceiling and wall form a 90-degree angle. Now, move the beam forward and backward on a level plane along the angle.

Do this without bending your wrist, don't push your



*Anyone who* has taken a flyfishing casting lesson has heard, "don't bend your wrist, start the cast at ten and end it at two, don't straighten out your arm."

arm forward as if throwing the shot put, and stop fore and aft where it's comfortable along the level plane. That's your cast.

To describe it another way, stop the flashlight cast before it begins to arc down on both the forward cast and back cast. That range of motion could be called the 10 and 2 of the start and stop motion of a cast.

You'll also find by using the light it's easier to not bend your wrist or push your arm forward in a throwing

Once you start using this exercise, you'll find there

are other casting situations for which you can use it. Say you're practicing for a trip to the Bahamas and a side-arm cast needs to be practiced. Find a room with wainscoting and move the beam along the top of this wall treatment.

If you don't have a room with wainscoting, draw a line on the wall, about waist high, and cast the beam along the line. If you draw a line be sure you have either a three-year-old child or grandchild you can blame the wall drawing on.

Another way to have some fun with flashlight casting is to invite a couple of your fly-fishing buddies over. Tell them it's a bring-your-ownflashlight party. Get in a room and play flashlight tag with the light beams staying along the 90-degree walland-ceiling joint. If someone's beam arcs, or goes out of the plane, they have to buy the first round.

I have also found this exercise can be done while sitting down. This comes in handy on two occasions. First, if you have been sent to the office to work or to a time- out chair because you've been bad, you can practice your casting without "she who must be obeyed" knowing.

Secondly, if you are working with someone who has trouble standing, this exercise could help make the transition to a river or lake much easier.

Give this a try. See if it doesn't help to make your cast easier and more efficient. Plus, you can do this in the warmth of your living room when it's cold and rainy outside.

# Southern Ute tribal offices 2014 holiday closures

- · Monday, Jan. 20
- · Monday, Feb. 17
- · Monday, May 26
- Friday, July 4
- · Monday, July 14
- · Monday, Sept. 1
- · Monday, Nov. 10 & Tuesday, Nov. 11
- Thursday, Nov. 27 & Friday, Nov. 28
- Wednesday, Dec. 10
- Thursday, Dec. 25 & Friday, Dec. 26

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

President's Day

Memorial Day

Independence Day

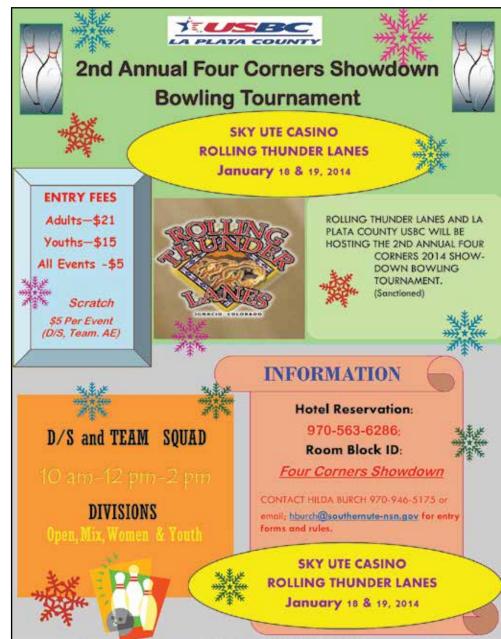
Sun Dance Feast Labor Day

Veterans Day

**Thanksgiving** 

Leonard C. Burch Day

Christmas







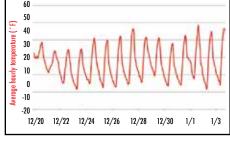




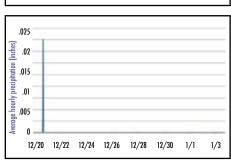


# **Weather data for December 21 – January 3**

**Temperature** 



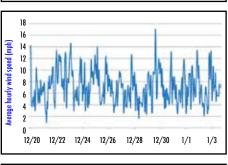
### 48.4° High Low 11.7° 26.3° Average Average last year 16.6°



# **Precipitation** Total

Total last year

Wind speed Average 3.6 Minimum 0.5 Maximum



12/20 12/22 12/24 12/26 12/28 12/30 1/1 1/3

Data compiled by Southern Ute Environmental Programs

# **Visibility & humidity**

Average visibility 90.9 Average humidity 62.4%

Air quality Good



0.004"

0.292"

8.5

Weather forecasts collected from www.NOAA.gov



# Advertise in the Drum!

Our rates are the best in the county! Call or email today for more info! 970-563-0118 · sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov